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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection of the application are respectfully requested in view of the amendments and remarks herewith, which place the application into condition for allowance. The present amendment is being made to facilitate prosecution of the application.

I. STATUS OF THE CLAIMS AND FORMAL MATTERS

Claims 1-16 are currently pending. Claims 1, 8, 15 and 16, which are independent, are hereby amended. No new matter has been introduced. Support for this amendment is provided throughout the Specification and Drawings, specifically on pages 21-24 and 31-32, and Figures 2 and 10. Changes to the claims are not made for the purpose of patentability within the meaning of 35 U.S.C. §101, §102, §103 or §112. Rather, these changes are made simply for clarification and to round out the scope of protection to which Applicants are entitled.

II. REJECTIONS UNDER 35 U.S.C. §102(e)

Claims 1-16 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as allegedly anticipated over U.S. Patent No. 6,154,600 to Newman et al. (hereinafter, merely "Newman").

Claim 1 recites, *inter alia*:

"A video editing device...

frame storage means for storing a plurality of video frames after said frame processing means completes all frame processing frame-by-frame upon the plurality of video frames, and for sequentially outputting the plurality of video frames,

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an output module receives from an image conversion object a buffer address indicating where the retrieved video frame is stored and a corresponding time code;

whereby the video frames are output from said frame storage means in real-time." (emphasis added)

As understood by Applicants, Newman relates to a media editor for the storage, editing and retrieval of audio/visual information. Consumers may replay the captured hypermedia in addition to selectively capturing and manipulating hypermedia portions, or clips, using a graphical user interface (GUI). Captured clips appear as icons on the GUI and consumers may combine clips to affect a wide variety of editing functions.

Applicants submit that Newman fails to teach or suggest the features of claim 1. Specifically, Applicants submit that there is no teaching of an output module receives from an image conversion object a buffer address indicating where the retrieved video frame is stored and a corresponding time code, as recited in claim 1.

Therefore, Applicants submit that claim 1 is patentable.

For reasons similar to those described above with regard to independent claim 1, independent claims 8, 15 and 16 are also believed to be patentable.

Therefore, Applicants submit that independent claims 1, 8, 15 and 16 are patentable.

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III. DEPENDENT CLAIMS

The other claims are dependent from one of the independent claims, discussed above, and are therefore believed patentable for at least the same reasons. Since each dependent claim is also deemed to define an additional aspect of the invention, however, the individual reconsideration of the patentability of each on its own merits is respectfully requested.

CONCLUSION


In the event the Examiner disagrees with any of statements appearing above with respect to the disclosure in the cited reference, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner specifically indicate those portion or portions of the reference, providing the basis for a contrary view.

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In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, it is believed that all of the claims in this application are patentable and Applicants respectfully request early passage to issue of the present application.

Respectfully submitted,

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